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SUBJECT: UN COMMITTEE OF 24 (C-24): DEBATE ON MILITARY ACTIVITIES

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1. SUMMARY: C-24 MET AUG 31 AND DEBATED THE MILITARY ACTIVITIES OF "COLONIAL POWERS." WESTERN AID TO THE SAR WAS CONDEMNED AS WELL AS THE MAINTENANCE OF US BASES ON GUAM, VIRGIN ISLANDS, PUERTO RICO, AND BERMUDA. END SUMMARY.

2. CUBA REPRESENTATIVE CONDEMNED AID WESTERN ALLIES HAVE GIVEN SAR WHICH CUBA CLAIMS AID SOUTH AFRICA IN REPRESSING LIBE-
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RATION MOVEMENTS. CUBAN REP ALSO CHARGED THAT

US IS FOLLOWING AN AGGRESSIVE STRATEGY IN THE PACIFIC BY OCCUPYING ISLANDS FOR MILITARY PURPOSES. HE SAID THAT REINFORCEMENTS BEING SENT TO ANDERSON AIR FORCE BASE IN GUAM INDICATE THAT IT WILL BE DESIGNATED THE US AIR COMMAND CENTER IN THE PACIFIC. CUBAN REP ALSO CONDEMNED US BASES IN PANAMA AND CUBA AND CALLED FOR THE DISMANTLING OF US BASES IN PUERTO RICO. HE TOLD COMMITTEE IT SHOULD ADOPT RESOLUTIONS CONDEMNING THOSE WHO AID SAR AND ALSO THOSE WHO MAINTAIN MILITARY BASES ON TERRITORIES.

3. BULGARIAN REP CHARGED THAT CERTAIN NATO STATES ARE COLLABORATING MILITARILY WITH THE SAR AND THAT ISRAEL IS ALSO INCREASING ITS AID TO SAR. HE STATED THAT MILITARY BASES WERE BEING KEPT ON GUAM, VIRGIN ISLANDS, BERMUDA, AND THE TRUST TERRITORY IN VIOLATION OF UN RESOLUTIONS. HE SAID THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE MUST REAFFIRM ITS POSITION THAT THESE MILITARY BASES ARE A SERIOUS IMPEDIMENT TO SELF-DETERMINATION.

4. MALI REP CHARGED THAT MERCENARIES RECRUITED FROM US, UK, AND FRG HAVE BEEN ACTIVE IN SOUTHERN AFRICA, ESPECIALLY RHODESIA. HE SAID THAT THE ARMS THAT ARE USED BY THE SAR WOULD ONLY COME FROM THE WESTERN POWERS SINCE THE SOVIET UNION AND OTHER SOCIALIST STATES HAVE ALWAYS BACKED LIBERATION MOVEMENTS. REP FURTHER CONDEMNED SALE OF FRENCH NUCLEAR REACTOR TO SAR. MALI REP TOLD COMMITTEE THAT OVER 10 PCT OF ISLAND OF BERMUDA WAS OCCUPIED BY COLONIAL AIR AND NAVAL BASES. HE CHARACTERIZED GUAM AS AN IMPORTANT IMPERIALIST NAVAL AND AIR BASE. HE SAID WESTERN MILITARY BASES IN THE INDIAN OCEAN PRECLUDED THAT AREA FROM BECOMING A ZONE OF PEACE.

5. CHINESE REP CHARGED THAT SOUTHERN AFRICA HAS BECOME A CENTER OF RIVALRY FOR THE SUPERPOWERS. REP DID NOT MENTION ANYTHING ABOUT US BASES IN PACIFIC OR CARIBBEAN.

6. INDONESIAN REP CLAIMED THAT EQUIPMENT AND MERCENARIES FROM WESTERN NATIONS SUPPORT THE SAR IN ITS REGRESSIVE POLICIES.

7. USSR REP CHARGED "ZIONISTS" WERE AIDING SAR AND THAT MILITARY AID FROM OTHER WESTERN STATES BUTTRESSED THE COLONIAL POLICIES OF SOUTH AFRICA. HE STATED THAT COLONIAL POWERS WERE MAINTAINING UNCLASSIFIED

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MILITARY BASES ON GUAM, THE TRUST TERRITORY, AND BERMUDA AGAINST THE WILL OF THE INDIGENOUS POPULATIONS. HE FURTHER CLAIMED THE PENTAGON WAS ATTEMPTING TO ESTABLISH MORE MILITARY BASES IN THE PACIFIC. SOVIET REP STATED THAT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF US MILITARY BASES IN THE INDIAN OCEAN WERE A THREAT TO INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY.
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